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U.S. Patent Application No. 09/937,639	Docket No.: 146381.00001
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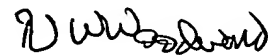
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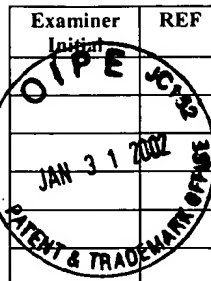
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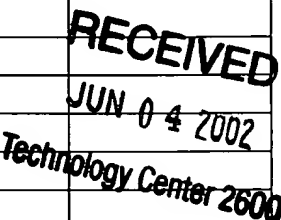
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